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APPROVAL OF SUMMARY REPORT FOR SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT 198 SITE, FORMER MARINE CORPS AIR STATION (MCAS) EL TORO

Dear Mr. Piszkin:

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has reviewed the subject document dated October 21, 2003, prepared by Geofon, Inc. The Summary Report summarizes the results of additional soil samples collected at Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU) 198 Site (former vehicle washrack area) on July 14 and 15, 2003. The additional investigation was conducted in response to DTSC's October 10, 2000 comments on the September 1, 2000 Technical Information Supplement Report for SWMU 198. DTSC requested field sampling to assess potential releases along the sanitary sewer and the storm drain connected to SWMU 198. The investigation includes 15 additional soil samples collected from three boring locations at 5, 10, 15, 20, and 25 feet below ground surface. The samples were analyzed for volatile organic compounds (VOCs), total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) as gasoline, TPH as diesel, and Synthetic Precipitation Leaching Procedure (SPLP).

SWMU 198, a former vehicle washrack 759, was identified during the development of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Facility Assessment (RFA) prepared for MCAS El Toro. The washrack is described as a concrete wash surface approximately 60 feet long by 15 feet wide and surrounded by a 4-inch concrete berm. The wash rack contains two catch basins that carried the rinse water to Oil/Water Separator 759-A and Underground Storage Tank (UST) 759B through a sanitary sewer line. SWMU 198 is located on the north side of Building 655 in the south-central portion of MCAS El Toro within Installation Restoration Program (IRP) Site 24.

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Based on review of the report, DTSC concurs with the Navy's recommendation of no further action for SWMU 198. If you have any question, please contact Mr. Tayseer Mahmoud, Senior Hazardous Substances Engineer, at (714) 484-5419.

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